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IN REPLY PLEASE

REFER TO FILE: **AS-0**
001381
Amendment 1

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE - EAST LOS ANGELES STREET MEDIANS
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 1
3 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Find that this additional contract work is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
2. Approve an amendment to Contract No. 001381 with Midori Gardens, Inc., located in Santa Ana, California, to provide a one-time landscaping refurbishment project and cleanup to various medians located within the First Supervisorial District.
3. Delegate authority to the Director of Public Works to execute the amendment.
4. Authorize Public Works to encumber an additional annual amount of \$8,653, increasing the annual not-to-exceed amount from \$33,187 to \$41,840 during the first year of this contract, plus 15 percent for additional, unforeseen landscape maintenance services within the scope of this contract. The remaining years of this contract will remain at the original annual not-to-exceed amount of \$33,187, plus 15 percent for additional, unforeseen landscape maintenance services within the scope of this contract. Funds are available in the 2003-04 Road Fund budget.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

On October 23, 2003, Synopsis 43, your Board awarded Contract No. 001381 to Midori Gardens, Inc., to provide landscape maintenance services for various street medians located in Supervisorial District 1. The purpose of the requested action is to fund plant replacement and cleanup at the medians located at Eastern Avenue and City Terrace Drive; the triangle median located at the intersection of Beverly, Pomona, and Atlantic Boulevards; and various medians located on City Terrace Drive, all located in Supervisorial District 1. At the County's discretion, the existing contract allows for the refurbishment of landscaping, provided that the cost does not exceed the cost to provide the service for similar facilities that are subject to the contract. The contractor's price for providing this proposed additional service is consistent with its rate for the facilities currently maintained.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This recommended action is consistent with the County's Strategic Plan Goal of Organizational Effectiveness. This amendment will improve internal operations through the utilization of this contractor's expertise to effectively provide landscaping services in a timely and responsive manner.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

This recommended amendment will increase this contract's annual not-to-exceed amount by \$8,653, from \$33,187 to \$41,840 during the first year of this contract, plus 15 percent for additional, unforeseen landscape maintenance services within the scope of this contract. The remaining years of this contract will remain at the original annual not-to-exceed amount of \$33,187, plus 15 percent for additional landscape maintenance services within the scope of this contract. This contract remains cost-effective. Funds to cover this amendment are available in the 2003-04 Road Fund budget. There will be no impact on net County cost.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Prior to the Director executing this amendment which is substantially reflected in the Enclosure, the contractor will execute and County Counsel will review it as to form.

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ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The additional work is categorically exempt from the CEQA as specified in Class 1(j) and (s) of the Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987, Synopsis 57.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The approval of this amendment will not result in any impact on other current services or projects.

CONCLUSION

One approved copy of this letter is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel